LAFAYETTE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE MINUTES

August 17, 2015

The Lafayette County Board of Supervisors Law Enforcement Committee held its regularly scheduled monthly meeting on August 17, 2015, in the Sheriff's Office Conference Room.

The meeting was called to order at 5:33 p.m. by Committee Chairman, Gerald Heimann. Present at the meeting were Gerald Heimann, David Halloran, Dwayne Larson, Sheriff Reg Gill, Lt. Theresa Burgess, and County Board Chairman Jack Sauer.

Mr. Heimann called for proof of postings for the meeting. Sheriff Gill reported that meeting notices were posted on August 13, 2015, at the Courthouse, Darlington Municipal Building, and First Merit Bank in Darlington.

The minutes from the previous meeting was presented and read. Mr. Larson made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Halloran seconded the motion. Motion carried.

<u>Communications Tower Project Update</u>: Sheriff Gill updated the committee on the status of the tower project. An additional soil test was required and the office is currently waiting for FCC/FAA permissions and approval, at which point the project will move forward as scheduled.

<u>Crime Stoppers Update</u>: Lt. Burgess provided an update on the rebuilding of the Crime Stoppers Board. The board still needs a few new members to commit. The group will be hosting a design contest with the county's 5^{th} grade students to create student awareness during the next month. The next *Crime Stoppers* meeting is scheduled for October 20, 2015.

<u>Staffing Changes</u>: Sheriff Gill advised the committee that Dispatch/Jail Deputy Joan Steinhart retired from the department. Kendra Robbins will be moved to full-time status to fill that vacancy. Joe Bodden will move to full-time status to fill the male Jailer/Dispatcher vacancy created by awarding Ryan Redfearn a move to the patrol division. Deputy Paul Klang will become the new K-9 Deputy and will begin his training in North Carolina with Cody on October 5, 2015. The training program will last 6 weeks.

Sheriff's Update

<u>Software System Search</u>: Sheriff Gill briefed the committee on our meetings with Spillman, LETG, Tach10, and CIS software companies. Several vendors have provided brief demos, some more involved than others. It is the department's hope to present to the board a comparison of these vendors in the near future. The research phase of this project has proved very involved.

<u>Bills</u>: A motion was made by Mr. Larson to approve the bills as presented. A second was made by Mr. Halloran. Motion carried.

Next Meeting: September 21, 2015 at 5:30 p.m.